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RUSSIA SECRETLY PLANNING GREAT OPERATION IN PRUSSIA

Official Announcement Says Plans Must Be Kept Secret, But Russia is on Eve of Some Great Operation that is Expected to Solve Definitely the Struggle in East Prussia—Fighting Reported Today at Half a Dozen Places in East Prussia—German Strategic Railways Seem to be Main Factor in this Lightning Stroke, Causing Russian Retreat—Portugal Announces She is Ready to Carry Out Policy and Has One Hundred Thousand Men Ready to Aid the Allies Whenever Requested—American Woman Acting as Correspondent of Chicago Newspaper, Expelled from Germany—Heavy Artillery Fighting Yesterday Along Most of the Front in the West.

PETROGRAD, Feb. 12.—"It is believed," says an official announcement, "that we are on the eve of a great operation, which will solve definitely the struggle in East Prussia."

The announcement says that secrecy is necessary. The Germans have sent at least one army corps of reinforcements into East Prussia. Some new recruits come from France.

Therefore, the Russians admit that they have treated toward the Russian frontier to concentrate the armies under the shelter of the Russian forts.

Fighting is reported today at half a dozen different points in East Prussia.

The German strategic railways seem to be the main factor in this lightning stroke, which has compelled the Russian retreat.

Artillery Battles in the West.

PARIS, Feb. 12.—An official statement says that heavy artillery fighting occurred yesterday along most of the front in the west.

Near la Boisselle, German mines dynamited one end of a French trench, but the French repulsed the subsequent German attack.

American Woman Expelled

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—Miss Carolyn Wilson, correspondent of the Chicago Tribune, has been ordered expelled from Germany on account of her curiosity about the navy. She was imprisoned for several days on a charge of espionage.

Portugal is Now Ready.

LISBON, Feb. 12.—The Portuguese foreign minister yesterday announced that Portugal is "ready to carry out the policy decided upon." This policy was, to co-operate with the allies in the war whenever the allies requested it. Portugal has one hundred thousand men ready.

German Losses Enormous

PARIS, Feb. 12.—An official statement says the German campaign in Poland appears to have been a complete failure. Their dead are reported to be forty thousand.

Russians to Flood Fortresses.

BERLIN, Feb. 12.—The German correspondents report that the Russians are making apparent preparations to flood the entire district, seventy-five miles wide, about the fortresses at Brest-Litovsk. They are using thousands of laborers to strengthen their second line of defense.

From the Carpathians come reports of great areas covered with rotting bodies.

French Dropping Bombs.

London, Feb. 12.—A Berlin wireless reports that a French aeroplane dropped bombs in the Dutch harbor of Flushing.

Inquiry from Uncle Sam.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The United States sends to Germany an inquiry on the complaint of American Minister Van Dyke at The Hague that the

German military authorities are interfering with his official mail with Luxemburg.

Urges Protection of Americans.

Berlin, Feb. 12.—The Lokal Anzeiger today prints an appeal to its readers not to allow their hatred for England to cause them to assault English-speaking persons on the streets, because they might be Americans.

Carpathian Fighting Important.

Petrograd, Feb. 12.—For some time mysterious movements had been noted among the German armies on the upper Rawka and Pilica. The gradual withdrawal of hospitals and store depots and the steady shifting of regiments indicated the trend of a new

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PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES SUBSCRIBER TO ARDMOREITE

To Miss Mary Maxwell, the enterprising little contestant from Sulphur is due the credit of securing a subscription to The Ardmoreite for President Woodrow Wilson.

Miss Maxwell secured the subscription in connection with her campaign for a trip to the Panama Pacific Exposition, where she hopes to see the President among other notables.

Miss Maxwell is the daughter of the late T. A. Maxwell, the first sheriff of Murray County, and, like her father, possesses a pleasant personality which ingratiates herself into the favor of everyone who knows her.

"Perhaps," said Miss Maxwell, "some day our beloved President, after he has retired from the strenuous services of our country, will want to seek rest and the recuperation of his tired nerves, and he will recall the Indian legend about what is now the Platt National Park."

"When the warriors had gathered together their venison and ripened corn, they trailed together in the footsteps of their ancestors to the peaceful valley of 'Rippling Waters,' and there in the shade of many trees they sat and talked of war and conquest. Then it was that old men grew young again, and fretful papooses ceased their whining."

The President is on our list of subscribers, and the first copies will reach him of the beginning of the great serial story of "Black Is White," by George Barr McCutcheon, the eminent author, whom the President will doubtless highly appreciate as a contemporary author.

Osage Oil Hearing Postponed

Washington, Feb. 11.—Owing to the fact that Secretary Lane of the Interior department has been requested by President Wilson to act as his personal representative at the opening of the Panama-Pacific Exposition, the Osage oil and gas land lease hearing has been postponed until March 8.

NO COMPROMISE ON THE SHIP PURCHASE BILL

PRESIDENT WILSON REJECTS THE COMPROMISE PLAN EVOLVED BY THE DEMOCRATIC LEADERS LAST NIGHT.

Washington, D. C., Feb. 12.—President Wilson today rejected the compromise ship purchase bill, evolved by the democratic house leaders last night.

He refused also to agree to an amendment terminating the government activities in the shipping business two years after the war closes.

The president's objection disrupts the leaders' plans completely to pass the bill. They were confident that it would pass with the time limitation attached.

The president proposed instead an amendment creating a merchant auxiliary to the navy, to be used at discretion, creating a navy for passengers or freight.

POSTPONEMENT ASKED

United States Requests England to Postpone Wilhelmina Case

Washington, D. C., Feb. 12.—The United States proposes to England a postponement of the plan to take the Wilhelmina's food cargo before the prize court, so as to permit the owners of the vessel an opportunity to present evidence, which, they claim, will prove that the cargo was not subject to seizure.

ENGLAND'S REPLY RECEIVED.

Will Require Two Days to Translate Code Reply.

Washington, Feb. 12.—England's reply to the American note of interference with commerce has been received. It may require two days' time to translate it from the code.

KILLED BY EXPLOSION.

One Man Killed and Another Injured At Reese, Tex., Today.

Reese, Tex., Feb. 12.—A boiler explosion destroyed a sawmill here this morning and killed Ed Lilles. Pay Jones and Josie Eyrthering were also probably fatally injured.

MONTH IN CROSSING.

British Steamer Arrives in New York After Month's Voyage.

New York, Feb. 12.—The British steamer Morocco arrived here today from Scotland and reported that for six days the winds and vast waves drove her backward while she was making full steam. The crossing required one month.

FOUR DEAD AND FOUR ILL FROM POISONING

FAMILY NEAR ABILENE, TEXAS, ATE BREAD FROM MILK OUT OF RUSTY VESSEL, WITH FATAL RESULTS.

Abilene, Tex., Feb. 12.—Four are dead, and four others seriously ill as a result of the family of J. T. Garrison, near Inson, being poisoned by eating bread made from milk out of a rusty vessel.

At the Christian Church.

The services at the Christian church last night brought a slight increase in attendance. The minister brought a searching message on "Soul Winning." He clearly presented it as the greatest work in the world. The services tonight will begin promptly at 7:30 and close in time to let all attend the Lyceum course, who care to go. The choir will meet for rehearsal at 6:45 p. m.

These meetings are gathering a force that will result in a good work.

WARSHIP AWAITS HIM.

American Warship to Carry Spanish Minister.

Washington, Feb. 12.—The state department advises today say that the Spanish minister to Mexico, who was expelled by Carranza yesterday, has not yet arrived in Vera Cruz, where an American warship is awaiting him.

TO TEACH THEM ENGLISH.

Class to Be Opened at Ellis Island Detention Station.

New York, Feb. 12.—A class in English has been opened at Ellis Island detention station for children who have been ordered deported, but whose homes are in belligerent countries. They cannot return home until the close of the war.

SUPPRESS OPIUM TRAFFIC.

Three Governments Sign Agreement to Suppress Traffic.

The Hague, Feb. 12.—An international agreement to suppress the opium traffic was signed here today by the American, Chinese and Dutch ministers. It will become effective in these countries at once.

Insurance Men Here.

H. C. King of Muskogee, president of the Mid-Continent Life Insurance company, accompanied by a number of his agents, is in the city and will remain here several days in the interest of the company. It is probable that Mr. King will make a statement while here that will be interesting to Ardmore people. Those with Mr. King are: H. A. Paul, S. E. Turner, N. A. McMillan, R. V. Jennings, J. S. Sweet, H. A. Sawyer, W. B. Collins, E. A. Ryder, E. P. Spears and T. D. Underwood.

BOYS' AND GIRLS' CLUBS ORGANIZED

AGRICULTURAL AGENT SCOTT AND MRS. NIBLACK HAVE ORGANIZED FOUR THIS WEEK WITH A GOOD MEMBERSHIP.

Farm agent Scott and Mrs. Niblack who has charge of the girls' canning and poultry clubs of the county, have organized four new clubs this week in the following places with a good membership: Mt. Washington, Rocky Point, Hight, and Prairie Valley. Mrs. Niblack has charge of the girls' canning and poultry club and Mr. Scott the boys' cotton, corn, kaffir and pig clubs.

Mr. Scott stated this morning that a great deal of interest was being manifested in the pig club movement, and that the boys were going to show some of the elders that it pays to raise hogs on a scientific basis, starting, of course with blooded stock. Mr. Scott stated that several of the local merchants would assist the boys in this work, if application was made the same as the merchants of Oklahoma City are assisting the boys of that county, and the ultimate result would be worth many times the cost to the county in the near future. Agent Scott stated that he hoped to see by another year every farmer in the county have meat to sell instead of buying, as many are doing at present, and the quickest way to accomplish this, he says, is through the boys pig clubs that will surely get the grown people interested in their work.

The work of organization at every school house in the county will be continued next week.

SHIPPERS AND TRUCK GROWERS

MEETING WILL BE HELD AT THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TOMORROW AFTERNOON FOR THE PURPOSE OF ORGANIZING.

R. P. Elrod, farm demonstrator for the Frisco lines, will be in the city tomorrow afternoon for the purpose of organizing a shippers club along the line of plans that have been adopted in other towns which have already organized. At the same time and place, the annual meeting of the truck growers' association will be held for the purpose of talking over local conditions and see if some plan cannot be devised whereby the growers will have better facilities for marketing their crops and interesting the land owners to encourage tenants to grow garden truck and hogs as well as cotton.

Eight clubs have been organized in the southern portion of the state and each has made shipments of car lots of cattle and hogs at quite a saving to the individual members.

Mr. Elrod while interested in the Frisco, does not intimate that he desires shippers to use their lines, but to use any line they see fit and ship to any market so long as the shipping is done in car lots, which will bet them better results and encourage more truck growing, and the breeding of more and better hogs, that will insure prosperity to every one alike. The most of the stuff from the southern portion of the state that has been shipped, has gone to the Fort Worth markets, but from towns higher up state, the Oklahoma City markets will be utilized.

Quite a number of farmers have become interested in this since Mr. Elrod's last appearance here, and no doubt a good club will be organized here tomorrow.

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WEATHER FORECAST.

New Orleans, La., Feb. 12.—The weather forecast for Oklahoma for tonight and Saturday is unsettled, with rain and colder.
